4. Report of the Sub-Committee on the Budget estimate for the year 1898-99.

5. The Vice-President's memo recommending for the introduction of the Bangalore City Bye-Laws published in the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 3rd February 1898, No. 7930—L. F. 317-96, dated the 11th January 1898, regarding the removal of night soil and construction of latrines, cess-pool pits, &c.

H. NANJUNDA RAJ ARS, *Vice-President.*

MORTUARY REGISTER.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING 28TH JANUARY 1898.

Bangalore City.

Estimated population .. { Males .. 40,873 / Females .. 39,412 } Total .. 80,285

Diseases.	M.	F.	Total.
Cholera	...	...	...
Small-pox	...	...	...
Fevers	3	3	6
Bowel-complaints	..	...	...
Suicide	...	...	...
Wounding	...	...	...
Accident	...	1	1
Snake-bite or killed by wild beasts.	...	..	...
All other causes	8	11	19
Total ...	11	15	26
Births during the Week ...	14	7	21

Mysore City.

Estimated population .. { Males .. 36,691 / Females . 37,357 } Total .. 74,048

Diseases.	M.	F.	Total.
Cholera	...	...	..
Small-pox	1	..	1
Fevers	14	19	33
Bowel-complaints	3	...	3
Suicide	...	...	...
Wounding	...	...	...
Accident	1	...	1
Snake-bite or killed by wild beasts.	...	...	..
All other causes	10	9	19
Total ...	29	28	57
Births during the Week ..	12	26	38

P. H. BENSON, M. B., *Surgeon, Lt.-Colonel,*
Sr. Surgn. & Sany. Comr. with the Govt. of Mysore.

CIRCULAR.

No. 217--96, *dated* 15*th February* 1898.

I have the honor to invite your attention to the necessity that exists for placing all towns and villages in your jurisdiction in a perfectly sanitary condition in view of the recrudescence of the Plague in Bombay City and its appearance in the Southern Districts of the Bombay Presidency.

2. It has been established that*—

(i) "Plague is a disease which is essentially associated with insanitary conditions in human habitations, the chief of which are accumulations of filth, overcrowding and the absence of light and ventilation.

(ii) "It is in the first instance at least a disease of locality, and is mainly conveyed from place to place by individuals in their person, clothing and personal effects, who have resided in the infected locality."

* Instructions regarding Plague administration for the general guidance of District and other Officers, issued by the Government of Bombay under date the 10th January 1898, and re-issued by the Plague Commissioner in Mysore for information and guidance of all Officers on Plague duty. Paras (i) and (ii).

3. "It is also proved beyond doubt that Plague bacilli thrive best in the filthy silt of drains and sewers and in the vitiated sub-soil water of the town."

4. Sanitation therefore is a matter of vital importance in keeping out Plague; and I have, with the concurrence of the Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner, to call your attention to some points requiring immediate action. Instructions should issue in all towns and villages in your jurisdiction for—

(*a*) Removing old accumulations of refuse.

(*b*) Clearing, ventilating, and flushing covered drains.

(*c*) Closing of cesspits wherever possible, and the removal of all sewage and sodden soil from ditches and drains to a distance; where it is impossible to close cesspits, lime should be applied frequently.